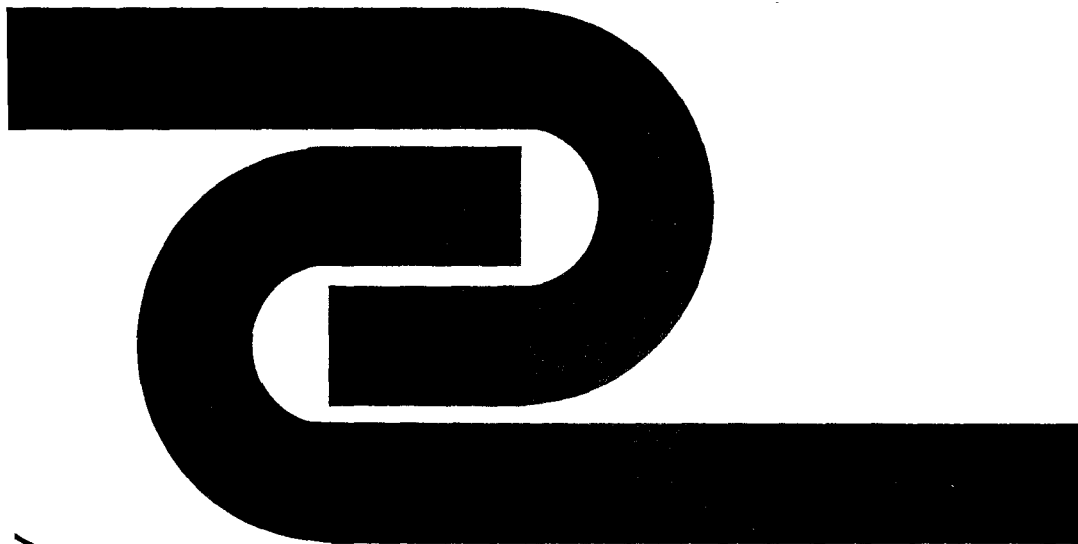


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I

192nd PLENARY SESSION

The 192nd Plenary Session of the Economic and Social Committee of the European Communities was held at Committee headquarters, Brussels, on 25 and 26 November 1981. The chair was taken by Mr Tomás Roseingrave, the Committee's Chairman.

ADOPTION OF OPINIONS

1. REFORM OF CAP (own-initiative Opinion)

"Reform of the Common Agricultural Policy"

Gist of the Opinion⁽¹⁾

Any reform of the Common Agricultural Policy must begin from the principles on which it is based, the relevant article of the Treaty of Rome and the Resolution of the Stresa Conference: these principles are still both valid and generally accepted. What is needed is to bring up to date the way in which they are put into practice. This view was expressed in an Opinion adopted by 81 votes in favour, 24 votes against and 11 abstentions.

Certain consequences follow from the principles, the opinion states. For instance, if prices are to be stable, they cannot follow the month-to-month movements of world prices, though they can follow a medium-term trend. If the commitment of an open world trading system is to be kept, the Community cannot aim at austerity on exports in a way which disregards the interests of other exporters. If prices to the consumer are to be reasonable, one must look at the whole chain of production and distribution and not just at prices at the farm-gate. Equally, however, when matching supply and demand, one must take into account both the probability of imports and the possibility of exports, and not just the

⁽¹⁾ CES 1196/81.

portion with the Community itself. Community agriculture at present faces a point where, for many products, partly because of its own success in improving efficiency and productivity, demand within the Community is stagnating whilst production continues to expand.

To deal with this situation requires a strategy. This is not just a matter of production objectives, though the Committee believes these to be necessary. It also needs market research to find out what the consumer wants and how his (and her) taste is changing, a proper marketing policy, research to enable the Community to grow more of what the consumer needs, and advisory services which give full attention both to the research results and to the need to minimize costs.

In any such strategy, the need to ensure that agriculture remains a sufficiently attractive industry for the workers, the entrepreneurs and the capital it needs must always be kept in mind. It must not be an underprivileged area of the economy; incomes in agriculture must be comparable with those elsewhere.

The Committee also points to the need to implement a common policy for forestry and to improve the lot of the disadvantaged regions of the Community, with the aid of other policies and resources. In the case of marginal farms, any scheme for direct income payments should lay down Community-wide criteria for the Member States to follow, and should be binding upon them. Marginal farmers and their families should, where possible, be given a chance to find part-time work off the farm, and the training which would enable them to take advantage of such opportunities.

The Committee's closing remark concerns the need to control the budgetary cost of the CAP. Only if this is achieved, will the CAP regain its former place in public esteem. But the Committee equally emphasizes the importance of the development of other policies, the lack of which makes the cost of the CAP artificially conspicuous.

This Opinion was based on material prepared by the Section for Agriculture under the chairmanship of Mr Emo Capodilista (Italy-Variou Interests). The Rapporteur was Mr Zinkin (United Kingdom-Employers).

2. ANNUAL ECONOMIC REPORT

Commission's draft Annual Economic Report 1981-1982

Outline of the Commission's Report

The Commission's draft Annual Economic Report 1981-1982 paints a gloomy picture of the European economy. The situation is unsatisfac-

tory as regards economic growth, unemployment, inflation and balance of payments. The Community's performance compares badly with the USA and with Japan. Divergence as between Member States economic out-turns is greater than ever in many respects. The Commission attributes many of the present troubles to the dollar revaluation, following so closely on the heels of OPEC II (the second oil shock).

The prospects for 1982 are, however, said to be — if not good — very much better. The Commission expects a growth rate of 2%, a reduced balance of payments deficit. It anticipates improved corporate profitability, more effective incentive schemes and an easier capital situation that will encourage investment and in turn facilitate the renewal and restructuring of productive capacity.

However unemployment could get worse and inflation will remain in double figures (around 10%).

In its outline of economic policy for the Community, the Commission deals with

- (a) immediate issues of policy that relate to the international monetary environment,
- (b) how the framework of institutions and ground rules for economic policy need to be improved, and
- (c) how the Community should tackle its fundamental needs for higher levels of investment and competitive employment creation.

Regarding these issues, the Member States should avoid using ever more recessionary tactics to stabilize their public finances. Policy adjustments should be compatible without being identical.

The Commission believes that as Europe has become more competitive owing to the strong dollar and yen, industry is in a good position to go out and win new foreign markets and thus create employment. On pay, the Report says it must be accepted that salary increases in real terms will remain well below the increase in productivity until greater investment and growth are achieved. It gives the conclusions of its Communication to the European Council on wage indexation.

It deals then with the challenge of building up investment and employment, saying that the reduction of unemployment (which is now the most dramatic of the Community's economic problems) cannot satisfactorily be achieved without a massive renewal and expansion of the stock of productive capital.

Gist of the Opinion⁽¹⁾

Given the appalling unemployment in the Community, the Economic and Social Committee, in an Opinion adopted by 75 votes in favour and 41 abstentions, said that this must be the predominant preoccupation of policy-makers and therefore be central to all policy-making.

As to the inter-actions between inflation, rates of interest, balance of payments, investments, competitiveness and unemployment, the Committee emphasizes the fact that the actions to be taken will have to differ from Member State to Member State. It therefore proposes a pragmatic, non-doctrinal approach to economic policy-making in the Community.

It agrees with the Commission about the high degree of uncertainty with which all this responsibility for economic policy decisions are beset and fears that the Commission's forecast for 1982 may well turn out to be too optimistic. The Committee underlines the need for a return to growth as the primary way to cure unemployment and stresses the importance of investment and competitiveness as means towards achieving this end. The Committee considers that a reduction in the rate of interest would help greatly by making investment and the building of new houses more attractive and by stimulating demand for consumer durables.

It emphasizes that policy should ensure that the poorest members of society and the developing countries do not pay the price of the crisis and also insists on the necessity of avoiding non-tariff barriers inside the Community and on the removal of the still considerable remaining barriers at national frontiers. Priority should be given to bringing about conditions for fair competition.

In order to train people for the jobs of the future and to create employment, the Community's social and regional funds should be used in a more dynamic way and on a bigger scale than at present.

This Opinion was based on material prepared by the Section for Economic and Financial Questions under the chairmanship of Mr Rollinger (Luxembourg - Various Interests). The Rapporteur was Mr Zinkin (United Kingdom - Employers).

3. SOCIAL SECURITY - SELF-EMPLOYED MIGRANTS

"Proposal for a Council Regulation extending Regulation (EEC) No 574/72 to self-employed persons and members of their families"

⁽¹⁾ CES 1190/81.

Gist of the Commission's proposal

The extension of Regulation No. 1408/71 to self-employed migrant workers has permitted most of the provisions applicable to migrant workers in paid employment to be extended to the self-employed.

The aim of the present Proposal is to adapt Regulation No. 574/72, which lays down the procedure for implementing Regulation No. 1408/71, and thus to permit the effective application of the latter Regulation to self-employed workers.

Gist of the Opinion⁽¹⁾

The Committee's Opinion, which was adopted unanimously, endorses the Commission's proposal, though it is regretted that no solution has been found yet to a number of problems (payment of family benefits to family members residing in a Member State other than the country of employment, and the problem of workers who are in paid employment in one Member State and self-employed in another at the same time).

The Rapporteur-General for this Opinion was Mr Rollinger (Luxembourg - Various Interests).

4. TOBACCO TAX HARMONIZATION

"Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 72/464/EEC on taxes other than turnover taxes which affect the consumption of manufactured tobacco"

Background to the Commission's proposal

In 1972 the Council laid down the manner in which the structure of excise duties on cigarettes would be harmonized by stages. The first stage, begun in 1973, continued after four extensions until 1978. The second stage, whose provisions are currently in force has already been extended twice. The present proposal is to extend it yet again, until the end of 1982.

The Committee was consulted by the Council regarding the draft provisions of the 3rd stage of harmonization. In its Opinion (February 1981) the Committee (for the second time) said that cigarette tax harmonization was on the wrong track and that instead of harmonizing

(1) CES 1192/81.

the specific and *ad valorem* elements, the harmonizing of the *ad valorem* element seemed more sensible and in any case "fairer". The Committee said moreover that any harmonization proposal must be based on a complete study showing the effects of different mixtures of *ad valorem* and specific taxation on, e.g., employment, competitiveness in intra-Community trade, range of consumer choice, government revenue, etc.

The Commission has now decided to create an inter-departmental ad hoc group to study the economic, social and fiscal aspects of tax harmonization in the field of cigarette and other manufactured tobaccos. On the basis of this study, a report will be drawn up for submission to the Institutions before 31 March 1982.

Gist of the Opinion⁽¹⁾

In a unanimous Opinion the Committee approves the further extension of the second stage and urges the speedy completion of the study, which it specifically asked, should be made.

This Opinion was based on material prepared by the Section for Economic and Financial Questions under the chairmanship of Mr Rollinger (Luxembourg - Various Interests). The Rapporteur was Mr Miller (United Kingdom - Employers).

5. THERMONUCLEAR FUSION

"Proposal for a Council Decision adopting a research and training programme (1982 to 1986) in the field of controlled thermonuclear fusion"

Gist of the proposal

This proposal concerns the Community Fusion Programme, which provides for research into controlled thermonuclear fusion as a source of energy. In view of the long term energy situation, this programme is of vital importance to the Community, since it offers the prospect of a safe source of energy for which the materials are both abundant and cheap: on the other hand, the high cost of reactor construction must be set against this. The technology is still in an early stage of development and no cost/benefit analysis is available at this stage.

The Community fusion programme is centred upon the JET project (with which certain third countries are associated), the Joint Research

⁽¹⁾ CES 1186/81.

Centre and a number of associated laboratories throughout Europe which are partially financed from Euratom funds. The current programme has been reviewed by a new body of eminent scientific personalities (the Fusion Review Panel) who recommend its continuation. The main objectives over the next 5 years will be

- 1) to accumulate enough knowledge for the construction of a device as the next step after JET (NET — next European Torus),
- 2) to look at possible alternatives to Tokamak systems;
- 3) to carry out a programme on inertial confinement. In the long term, the objective remains to determine whether energy can be produced at competitive prices from nuclear fusion reaction between light atomic nuclei.

Total resources for the JET part of the programme are estimated at 355 m ECU: those for the remainder of the programme are estimated at 325 m ECU.

Gist of the Opinion⁽¹⁾

In an Opinion, which was adopted unanimously, the Committee gives its full support to this proposal.

Apart from the potential of thermonuclear fusion as an energy source, it is also an outstanding example of European co-operation in which the advantages of a Community approach are fully demonstrated. The emphasis on technological development follows the lines of the Opinion on the previous programme, and the Committee recognizes that the size of the programme is commensurate with its potential importance for future energy supply.

However, the Committee presses for an early consideration of safety and environmental questions, and stresses the need (already expressed in the Opinion on the previous programme) for a full and open discussion of these questions.

This Opinion was based on material prepared by the Section for Energy and Nuclear Questions under the chairmanship of Mr Hatry (Belgium - Employers). The Rapporteur was Mr von der Decken (Germany - Various Interests).

6. CHLOROFLUOROCARBONS

“Proposal for a Council decision on the consolidation of precautionary measures concerning chlorofluorocarbons in the environment”

⁽¹⁾ CES 1188/81.

Gist of the proposal for a Decision

The proposal for a Decision seeks to maintain the existing rules, that is to say, there is to be no increase in chlorofluorocarbon production capacity and the precautionary measures pertaining to the use of chlorofluorocarbons in the filling of aerosol cans are to be consolidated.

It defines precisely what is to be understood by "chlorofluorocarbon production capacity" and specifies the reference figure for such production in the Community.

Finally, the proposal recommends that the Member States co-operate with the Commission with a view to reducing emissions of CFC 11 and CFC 12 in the foam plastics, refrigerants and solvents sectors.

Gist of the Opinion⁽¹⁾

In its Opinion, adopted by 56 votes to 3 with 23 abstentions, the Committee approves the Commission's initiative and is gratified that the Commission is following its recommendation that Community regulations be reviewed periodically in the light of the latest scientific and technical knowledge.

The Committee notes with satisfaction that the proposal for a Decision defines the term "production capacity" and lays down as new mandatory norm the overall reduction in the use of CFC 11 and CFC 12 for the filling of aerosol cans achieved by the end of 1981. This reduction will be appreciably greater than the 30% required under the 1980 Decision.

In conclusion, the Committee approves any measures which may prove necessary to speed up the process of reducing this use of CFCs, in the light of the examination to be carried out in the second half of 1983.

7. AIRCRAFT NOISE

"Proposal for a Council Directive amending Council Directive 80/51/EEC of 20 December 1979 on the limitation of noise emissions from subsonic aircraft"

Gist of the Commission's proposal

It is proposed to update the existing directive to take account of recent international actions on aircraft noise. Most of the changes are of a technical nature.

(1) CES 1191/81.

In addition, non-noise certificated subsonic jet aircraft registered outside the Community will be prevented from landing in Community territory from 1 January 1988. Such aircraft will have already been removed from the United States Register by 1 January 1985 and from the Registers of the Member States by 31 December 1986.

Gist of the Opinion⁽¹⁾

The Committee unanimously endorses these technical changes in that they will update and improve the directive.

With regard to the ban on non-certificated aircraft from 1 January 1988, the Committee welcomes the Commission's efforts to progressively improve the noise environment. It suggests that the provision should, as far as possible, avoid disrupting arrangements for maintenance work on aircraft, particularly from developing countries.

This Opinion was based on material prepared by the Section for the Protection of the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Affairs under the chairmanship of Miss Roberts (United Kingdom - Various Interests). The Rapporteur was Mr Kenna (Ireland - Employers).

8. COMMUNITY QUOTA FOR 1982

"Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EEC) No. 3164/76 on the Community Quota for the carriage of goods by road between Member States"

Gist of the Commission proposal

The Commission proposes that the Community quota be increased by 760 authorizations (4,587 in 1982 compared with 3,827 in 1981). The Commission is assuming, on the basis of detailed statistics, that there will be an increase of approximately 1.5 million tons in road haulage in 1982. According to calculations (the details of which are outside the scope of this document), this means an increase of 720 in the total number of Community authorizations. Greece is to have the same number of additional authorizations as Ireland (40), which gives the above-mentioned total of 760 additional authorizations for 1982.

Gist of the Opinion⁽²⁾

This text was initially adopted in the form of an amendment by 66 votes to 47 with 12 abstentions and was then adopted as the Committee's Opinion by 46 votes to 28 with 8 abstentions.

⁽¹⁾ CES 1187/81.

⁽²⁾ CES 1195/81.

The Committee welcomes the Commission's proposal.

It believes that Community authorizations have undeniable advantages over bilateral authorizations as regards both consistency with the principles of the Treaty of Rome and the rational, efficient organization of the international carriage of goods.

The Committee notes that the Commission has followed the ESC's 1980 Opinion and this time has based its proposal to increase the overall number of authorizations (approx. 20%) on statistics, forecasts of the overall demand for 1982 and the demand pattern of the various modes of surface transport. The Commission has also used the market observation system to check the extent to which the existing intra-Community road haulage capacity is utilized.

On the basis of this data, the Commission calculates that the total volume of goods covered by Community authorizations would increase by about 1.5 million tons, and the total increase in Community authorizations would come to 720.

In distributing Community authorizations between the Member States, the Commission has rejected a linear — i.e. political — increase and has tried to use economic criteria (i.e. share of trade and use of authorizations). It also proposes that Greece be allocated the same number of extra authorizations as Ireland, which would mean a total increase of 760 authorizations (4,587 in 1982 against 3,827 in 1981).

This Opinion was based on material prepared by the Section for Transport and Communications under the chairmanship of Mrs Weber (Germany - Workers). The Rapporteur was Mr Renaud (France - Employers).

9. SHORE - BASED MARITIME NAVIGATION AID SYSTEMS

“Draft Council Decision adopting a concerted action project for the European Economic Community in the field of shore-based maritime navigation aid systems”

Gist of the Commission proposal

In Decision No. 81/213/EEC of 3 March 1981 the Council adopted an environmental R & D programme.

This proposal seeks to complete that Decision by tackling a very specific environmental problem, i.e. how to prevent shipping from polluting coastlines. The Commission provides for concerted action in seven fields listed in Appendix I to the proposal.

The Commission will support national research into this field to the tune of 10.1 million ECU's.

Gist of the Opinion⁽¹⁾

This Opinion was adopted unanimously. Although it agrees with the Commission's proposal the Committee warns the Council about duplication of financial resources in this field.

It refers to its Opinion of 25 March 1981 on the Enforcement of International Standards for Shipping Safety, and hopes that any steps taken will also apply to ships of less than 500 tons.

The Committee also emphasized its continuing concern about the social problems of ships' crews, particularly training. Recommendations on research in this area should be followed up.

This Opinion was based on material prepared by the Section for Transport and Communications under the chairmanship of Mrs Weber (Germany - Workers). The Rapporteur was Mr Bonety (France - Workers).

10. COMBINED TRANSPORT - 20-FOOT CONTAINERS

"Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 75/130/EEC on the establishment of common rules for certain types of combined road/rail carriage of goods between Member States"

Gist of the Commission proposal

In an amendment to Council Directive 75/130/EEC of 17 February 1975, as updated by Directive 79/5/EEC of 19 December 1978, containers of 20 feet and more and swap bodies with no supports are to be freed from all quota restrictions and licensing requirements for an indefinite period from 1 January 1982 onwards.

Gist of the Opinion⁽²⁾

With one dissenting vote, the Committee adopted the Commission proposal.

This Opinion was based on material prepared by the Section for Transport and Communications under the chairmanship of Mrs Weber (Germany - Workers). The Rapporteur was Mr Schneider (Luxembourg - Workers).

(¹) CES 1194/81.

(²) CES 1189/81.

11. CEREALS-SEEDS

“Proposal for a Council Regulation (EEC) amending Regulation (EEC) No. 2358/71 on the common organization of the market in seeds, Regulation (EEC) No. 2727/75 on the common organization of the market in cereals and Regulation (EEC) No. 950/68 on the Common Customs Tariff”;

“Proposal for a Council Regulation (EEC) amending Regulation (EEC) No. 1660/81 fixing the amounts of aid granted for seeds for the 1982/83 and 1983/84 marketing years”

Gist of the Commission proposals

The aim of the first draft Regulation is to encourage the production of spelt seeds in the Community since current production covers only about 28% of needs.

The aim of the second draft Regulation — a logical extension of the first — is to include spelt seeds in the Community aid system for the seeds sector.

Gist of the Opinion⁽¹⁾

The Committee unanimously approves the Commission's proposals.

This Opinion was based on material prepared by the Section for Agriculture under the chairmanship of Mr Emo Capodilista (Italy - Various Interests). The Rapporteur was Mr Schnieders (Germany - Employers).

(1) CES 1193/81.

II

EXTERNAL RELATIONS

THE PRESIDENT'S ENGAGEMENTS

During the period which has elapsed since the 191st Plenary Session, the Committee's Chairman, Mr Roseingrave,

- had talks on 16 November with the new US **Head of Mission** to the European Communities, **Ambassador Vest**;
- met the **Danish Permanent Representative** to the European Communities, **Ambassador Riberhold**, on 6 November;
- had talks on 6 November with the **Israeli Ambassador, Mr Minerbi**;
- attended on 7 and 8 November the **Annual Congress of Muintir-na-Tir** (Irish movement for the Development of Rural Communities) in Cork (Ireland);
- took part on 11 November in a **symposium on the Role and Aims of Economic and Social Councils**, organized by the Department of Labour of the Generalidad de Catalunya in Barcelona (Spain);
- attended on 18 November an **EEC conference on new information technologies** in Dublin;
- took part on 19 November in an **OECD symposium on the Role of Local Communities in Rural Development** in Paris.

PRESENTATION OF EUROPEAN MERIT MEDALS

On Thursday 26 November 1981, at a ceremony presided over by Mr Tomás Roseingrave, Chairman of the Economic and Social Committee, the Foundation for European Merit awarded medals to ten people who had worked selflessly in the interests of European unity. The Foundation is sponsored by the Luxembourg Government.

Mr Jacques Genton, former Secretary-General of the Economic and Social Committee and a member of the French Senate, was presented with a gold medal. (See pictures p. 18).

Silver medals were awarded to

- Mr Pierre Pixius (Luxembourg), Director-General for personnel and administration at the ESC; co-founder and vice-president of the American Common Market Club; president of the Europa Club;
- Mr André Dubois (Belgium), Director-General for External Relations and Relations with Associated States at the General Secretariat of the Council of Ministers; since 1954 he has taken part in the negotiation and conclusion of numerous international conventions, and has rendered outstanding services to the cause of European unity;
- Mr Wolfgang Pini (Germany), Director for Economic and Financial Affairs at the General Secretariat of the Council of Ministers; president-founder member of the "Sozialdemokratischer Kreis Brüssel" from 1968 to 1972;
- Mr Eduard Weimar (Netherlands), president of the Europe-Third World Association.

Although the Foundation of European Merit goes back to 1970, this was the first time that its Administrative Council has honoured a sporting achievement, namely that of Herbert Allgeier (Germany) and Elda Stifani (Italy), captain and co-pilot, who flew under the European flag in the first Paris-New York-Paris transatlantic air race last June. They were awarded a silver medal. The only team representing the Community, they made the crossing in 51 hours thirty-one minutes aboard a twin-engined Italian aircraft christened "The Great European Traveller" by Commission Vice-President, Viscount Etienne Davignon. They were placed twelfth out of twenty-six in the twin-engined class and returned to Paris within the time-limit set by the organizers.

Bronze medals were awarded to

- Mr Franco Giuffrida (Italy), former chairman of the Staff Committee at the General Secretariat of the Council and former President of the European Public Service Union (Union Syndicate);
- Mr Henri Lécuyer (France), co-founder of the "Force Ouvrière" Trade Union and former Chairman of the Breton Association of Belgium;
- Mr Jacques Giraudon (France), co-founder and Chairman of the flying club of the European Communities.

III

NEW CONSULTATIONS

In November the Council consulted the Committee on the following points:

“Proposal for a Council Regulation (EEC) providing for special aid for raw tobacco following the earthquake in Italy in November 1980 and derogating from Article 12(a) of Regulation (EEC) No. 727/70” (COM(81) 527 final)

“Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 77/391/EEC and introducing a supplementary Community measure for the eradication of brucellosis, tuberculosis and leukosis in cattle” (COM(81) 611 final)

“Proposal for a Council Directive amending for the Seventh time Directive 76/769/EEC on the Approximation of the Laws Regulations and Administrative Provisions of the Member States relating to Restrictions on the Marketing and Use of Certain Dangerous Substances and Preparations” (COM(81) 573 final)

“Draft Action Programme of the European Communities on the Environment (1982 - 1986)” (COM(81) 626 final)

“Proposal for a Council Regulation (EEC) amending Regulation (EEC) No. 724/75 Establishing a European Regional Development Fund” (COM(81) 589 final)

“Proposal for a Council Directive (EEC) on Tariffs for Scheduled Air Transport between Member States” (COM(81) 590” final)

Presentation of European merit medals



Left: Mr Jacques Genton, former Secretary-General of the ESC



Left: Mr Pierre Pixius, Director-General of the ESC

IV

PROVISIONAL FUTURE WORK PROGRAMME

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Referrals

- Medical and public health research
- Eradication of brucellosis
- Air pollution
- Classification of goods in customs nomenclature
- Noise emitted by hydraulic excavators
- Processing of foodstuffs
- Raw materials R & D programmes
- Fifth medium-term economic policy programme
- Health problems affecting trade in fresh meat
- Health problems upon imports of animals
- Special aid for raw tobacco

Own-initiative Opinions

- 6th European Regional Development Fund (FEDER) Report
- DNA (additional Opinion)

JANUARY 1982 PLENARY SESSION

Referrals

- Information and consultation of workers in transnationals
- Scientific and technical R & D programme
- Dangerous substances 7th amendment
- Citrus fruit
- Fruit and vegetables

Own-initiative Opinion

- Coordination of employment policy instruments

Studies

- Community R&D policies' aims and priorities
- Consistency of external policies

FEBRUARY 1982 PLENARY SESSION**Referrals**

- Microbiological criteria for foodstuffs
- Noise emissions for helicopters
- Annual accounts of banks
- Supervision of credit institutions
- Environmental action programme

SUBSEQUENT SESSIONS**Referrals**

- Amendment European Regional Development Fund Regulation 724/75
- New regional policy guidelines (additional Opinion)
- 10th Competition policy report
- Wine market

Own-initiative Opinion

- Textiles/clothing

V**MEMBERS' NEWS****RESIGNATIONS**

Mr K. Christensen (Denmark), Mr F. Drago (Italy) and Mr F. Kazazis (Greece) have resigned their seats as members of the Economic and Social Committee.

PUBLICATIONS OBTAINABLE FROM THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Periodical

- Bulletin (monthly publication)

General Documentation

- The Economic and Social Committee (leaflet) (January 1980)
- The Economic and Social Committee (April 1981) (A descriptive brochure) 16 p.
- Annual Report (1981) ... (Ex-30-80)
- Directory — List of Members (January 1981) (ESC-81-001)
- The Right of initiative of the Economic and Social Committee (October 1977) 124 p.

Opinions and Studies

- Economic Pointers for 1982 (Opinion) (August 1981) 32 p. (ESC 81-010)
- Problems of the Handicapped (Opinion) (September 1981) ± 46 p. (ESC 81-013)
- Present situation in the Community's Building Sector (Opinion) (September 1981) ± 24 p. (ESC 81-011)
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- Regional Policy (March 1976) (Opinion) 11 p.
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- The Situation of Small and Medium-sized Undertakings in the European Community (March 1975) (Study) 69 p.



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